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The Honorable Chairman and Members of the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission Kekuanaoa Building, 1st Floor 465 South King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Dear Commissioners:

Subject: Docket No. 2008-0083 – Hawaiian Electric 2009 Test Year Rate Case Request for Extension of Time to File Response to PUC-IR-117

Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("Hawaiian Electric" or "Company") respectfully requests the Commission to grant an extension, from October 2 to October 7, 2009, for the Company to file its response to PUC-IR-117, issued by the Commission on September 16, 2009.

The Company requires additional time to prepare the response due to certain critical individuals being involved in other regulatory matters this week – e.g., the reply brief for the decoupling proceeding (Docket No. 2008-0274) and the application and written testimonies for the Maui Electric Company, Limited 2010 test year rate case (Docket No. 2009-0163). The Company apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

Very truly yours,

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